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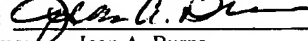
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Dear Sir or Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

Request For Extension Of Time

The Office Action, part of paper no. 4, was mailed on June 18, 2003 and the due date for response was set at September 18, 2003, based upon the three month period set for response. An extension of time of three months is hereby requested, extending the period for response to and including December 18, 2003. Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$475.00 for the extension fee. Please charge any additional fees required, and credit any overpayment to, deposit account 50-0792.

In response to the Office Action, Part of Paper No. 4, mailed on June 18, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments To The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.